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SUBJECT: REPORT THAT VESCO EXTRADITION ATTEMPT UNDERWAY

1. APRIL 12 LA NACION REPORTS UNDER BYLINE WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT ARMANDO VARGAS THAT A NEW EXTRADITION REQUEST FOR VESCO IS BEING STUDIED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND JUSTICE AS A RESULT OF THE MOST RECENT GRAND JURY INDICTMENT AGAINST VESCO. ARTICLE QUOTES LETTER FROM ARA/PLC SUB-DIRECTOR WOODRUFF TO WILLIAM HIGGS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OLE COMMITTEE FOR AN OPEN SOCIETY, AND HIGHLIGHTS THAT WOODRUFF EXPRESSED UNCERTAINTY ABOUT PROSPECTS OF SUCCESS FOR A NEW EXTRADITION REQUEST IN COSTA RICAN COURTS IN VIEW OF FAILURE OF 1973 EXTRADITION ATTEMPT. ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT, LETTER ALSO STATES THAT DEPARTMENT IS DOING ITS PART ACCORDING TO THE LAW

TO BRING VESCO TO JUSTICE.

2. COMMENT: THIS REPORT HAS RAISED INTEREST AGAIN OF KEY COSTA RICANS--ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE OPPOSITION--ABOUT POSSIBLE NEW VESCO EXTRADITION ATTEMPT. SO FAR EMBASSY HAS NOT BEEN APPROACHED FOR OFFICIAL COMMENT.

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